

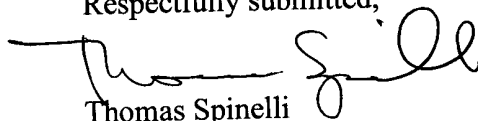
REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-identified application prior to examination.

By means of the present Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-3 have been amended and the specification has been amended to cross reference the parent application, PCT/JO02/02400. No new matter has been entered by way of the present preliminary amendment.

In view of the above, early and favorable consideration are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas Spinelli', is written over the printed name.

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